

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Palm Beach County Department of Environmental Resources Management (ERM) has two weekend and two weekday volunteer events planned for October. The projects are designed for volunteers ages 16 and older. Volunteers 15 and under must be accompanied by parent or guardian. Volunteers can register for an ERM event by calling 561-233-2426 or emailing amathews@pbcgov.org. Thanks for helping the Department keep Palm Beach County clean and green.

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VOLUNTEER EVENT (WEEKDAY EVENT)

What: Removing Invasive Plants and Trash

Where: Seacrest Scrub Natural Area – 3400 S. Seacrest Blvd. - Boynton Beach

Site Information: <http://www.pbcgov.com/erm>

When: Wednesday, October 12, 2016

Time: 9 a.m. to noon

Directions: From I-95 exit at Woolbright Road – head east on Woolbright Road to Seacrest Blvd. – turn right and head south on Seacrest Blvd. for roughly 2 miles – the natural area is located on the east side of Seacrest Blvd. (just south of the hospital) – look for a brown sign at the parking lot entrance.

Additional Information: Volunteers should wear long pants, t-shirts, boots or sneakers. Restroom facilities are not available at the natural area. Restrooms are available at Bethesda Hospital on Seacrest Blvd. We will be working in brush-filled areas so volunteers should wear old clothes and shoes. The Department will supply all tools, gloves, and refreshments. **Event participation is limited to the first 10 volunteers who register.**

VOLUNTEER EVENT (WEEKDAY EVENT)

What: Trash Removal, Irrigation Removal

Where: High Ridge Scrub Natural Area – 7300 High Ridge Road - unincorporated Palm Beach County

Site Information: <http://www.pbcgov.com/erm>

When: Wednesday, October 19, 2016

Time: 9 a.m. to noon

Directions: From I-95 exit at Hypoluxo Road - head west on Hypoluxo Road to High Ridge Road - turn left and head south on High Ridge Road for roughly 1/2 mile - the natural area is located on the left (east side of High Ridge Road)

Additional Information: Volunteers should wear long pants, t-shirts, sneakers or hiking boots. Volunteers should wear old clothes and shoes as we will be working in brush-filled areas. Restroom facilities are not available at the natural area. Closest restroom facility is at a gas station located on the corner of High Ridge Road and Hypoluxo Road. The Department will supply tools, gloves, and refreshments. **Event participation is limited to the first 10 volunteers who register.**

VOLUNTEER EVENT

What: Trash Removal along the Intracoastal Waterway

Where: Jupiter Ridge Natural Area – 1800 S. U.S. Highway 1 - Jupiter

Site Information: <http://www.pbcgov.com/erm>

When: Saturday, October 22, 2016

Time: 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. (NOTE: Volunteers must be on site no later than 8:10 a.m. The group will be trucked to the cleanup area which is several miles west of the parking lot. Volunteers arriving after 8:10 a.m. will not be able to participate in the project.)

Directions: From I-95 exit at Donald Ross Road – head east on Donald Ross Road to U.S. Highway 1 – turn left and head north on U.S. Highway 1 for roughly 2.5 miles – the entrance to the natural area is located on the west side of U.S. Highway 1 (just north of the Bluffs development).

Additional Information: Volunteers will be cleaning the mangroves along the Intracoastal Waterway. Volunteers should wear old clothing and be prepared to get wet and muddy. Restroom facilities are available on site (port-a-let). The Department will supply tools, gloves, and refreshments for the volunteers. **Event participation is limited to the first 12 volunteers who register.**

VOLUNTEER EVENT (SUNRISE EDITION)

What: Trash removal

Where: Pine Glades Natural Area - 14122 W. Indiantown Rd. (approximately 6.5 miles west of the Turnpike)

Site Information: <http://www.pbcgov.com/erm>

When: Saturday, October 29, 2016

Time: 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. (Coffee and donuts from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. – Sunrise at 7:30 a.m. - Volunteer event begins at 8 a.m.)

Directions: From I-95 exit at Indiantown Rd. (State Rd. 706) and head west for roughly 7 miles – the parking area is on the left – a brown natural area sign is visible from Indiantown Road and is located at the parking lot entrance – look for a white county truck to find designated meeting area.

Additional Information: We will be cleaning the natural area perimeter along Indiantown Road – some of the areas may have standing water – so volunteers should wear clothing they don't mind getting wet or muddy. **Poison ivy is found at this natural area.** Bug spray is recommended. Restroom facilities are available at the natural area. The Department will supply tools, gloves, and refreshments. **Event participation is limited to the first 12 volunteers who register**

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